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In the past year the Army has been fully engaged in prosecuting the global war on terrorism. Our Army has been simultaneously at war while transforming itself. Throughout this process the Army remains committed to provide the best possible sustained land power for our Joint Force. This commitment has been evident in the superb performance of our Soldiers in Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation Enduring Freedom.

The annual *Army Modernization Plan* provides a report on the Army's efforts to support our Soldiers and maintain current readiness, while developing and fielding improved capabilities for tomorrow. The *2005 Modernization Plan* updates this course to take into account the urgent demands of today's missions and opportunities for applying significant technological improvements. It describes the flexible modernization and investment strategies that place a priority on providing the best capabilities to the Army today, while also supporting a sustained transformation process.

Congress and the Department of Defense have generously provided the resources for today's Army and for tomorrow's improved force. The Presidential Budget for Fiscal Year 2006 demonstrates continued support for this essential path of sustaining our Soldiers at war and investing in the Army's future readiness. These efforts will be imperative for our success.

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# 2005 ARMY MODERNIZATION PLAN

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